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TAGS: ENRF, BGEN, PFOR, LI

SUBJECT: LIBERIAN PETROLEUM REFINERY PRICE INCREASE

REF: A. MONROVIA 6046; B. STATE 219336

SUNOCO WASHINGTON OFFICE SENIOR OFFICIAL SMITH TOLD DEPT. OFFICER THAT PRICE INCREASE REPORTED REFTEL SUFFICIENT FOR COMPANY'S NEEDS UNTIL END OF YEAR. PRICE AGREED TO IN JANUARY, HOWEVER, WILL BE KEY TO WHETHER COMPANY WILL CONTINUE REFINERY OPERATION. ALTHOUGH STEVE TOLBERT TOLD DEP. ASSIST. SECRETARIES ROSS AND SMITH (REF B) THAT HE CONTEMPLATES JANUARY PRICE RISE OF 2 TO 5 CENTS PER GALLON, SUNOCO OFFICIAL SMITH SAID IMPOSSIBLE TO SAY WHAT PRICE INCREASE WILL BE REQUIRED BECAUSE OF CURRENT VOLATILE WORLD MARKET PRICES OF CRUDE. SMITH ADDED THAT COMPANY EVEN UNSURE SAUDI ARABIA, SUNOCO'S SOURCE, WILL

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CONTINUE SUPPLY ENOUGH CRUDE TO AMERICAN COMPANY TO MEET

LRC'S NEEDS, ALTHOUGH CONCEIVABLE SAUDI ARABIA WOULD  
EARMARK SOME CRUDE FOR LIBERIA IF GOL'S MIDDLE EAST  
POLICY IS IN ORDER. SMITH ASKED LATTER POINT BE CLOSELY  
HELD. RUSH

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